

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 182

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A RESOLUTION relative to the energy efficiency of both commercial and state-owned buildings and facilities.

WHEREAS, by increasing the energy efficiency of both commercial and state-owned buildings and facilities, Tennessee can achieve substantial energy cost savings, demonstrate energy and environmental leadership, and raise public awareness of the benefits of energy efficiency; and

WHEREAS, according to EPA estimates, nearly one-third of the energy used to run such buildings can be conserved; and

WHEREAS, through effective energy management practices that involve assessing energy performance, setting energy-savings goals, and regularly evaluating progress, state government and commercial building owners can significantly reduce their energy needs while maintaining the highest level of service for the citizens of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this General Assembly hereby urges the Department of General Services to develop a policy for evaluating the energy efficiency of state-owned buildings and facilities, with comprehensive energy audits being a major component of such policy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this General Assembly also encourages owners of commercial buildings in this state to develop a policy for evaluating the energy efficiency of their buildings and facilities, with comprehensive energy audits being a major component of such policy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of the Department of General Services.